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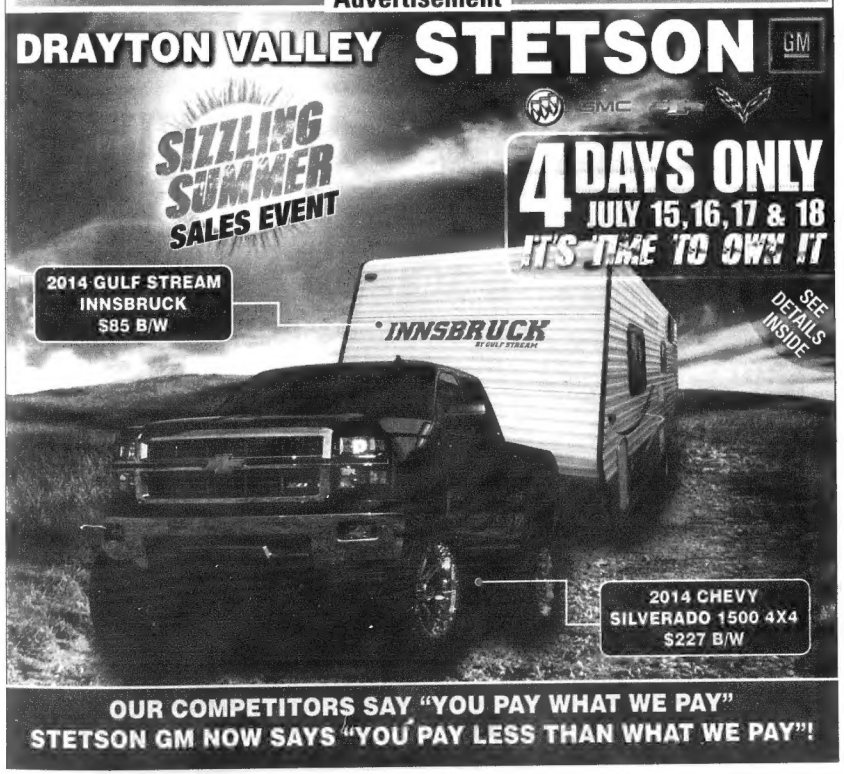

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Collision meant end of life

Western Review Staff

One person died while another was injured and taken to the hospital in a collision that occurred over the weekend at an intersection crossing Highway 22 south of Entwistle.

On July 11 around 9 p.m. Evansburg RCMP officers were dispatched and investigation found that a grain truck and a crude oil tanker had collided and resulted into fire.

"Both vehicles were immediately engulfed in flames," said a release on Alberta Police Report website.

The victim had not been identified as of last weekend.

Highway 22 between Township Road 524 and 530 remained closed until the matter was sorted.

Officers, fire department and cleaning crew remained on site and advised motorists to use alternate routes.

For more information and updates visit Albertapolicereport.ca.

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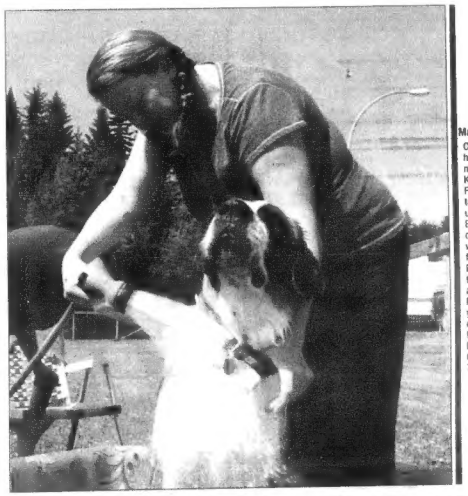

Mamta Lulla Western Review

Copper got a free wash from her owner and committee member for Bark For Life, Kerry Doran on July 13. Free dog wash was held to raise awareness of an upcoming event called Bark For Life that will have owners a chance to walk with their furry friends in a fight against Cancer. ARC Resources Ltd. who is one of the event sponsors donated a cheque of $5,000 for Bark For Life. Proceeds from this year's event will go to fund cancer research. To register for Bark For Life which will be held on Aug. 23 call the Canadian Cancer Society at 780.437.8407.

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Drayton Valley blossoms for Communities in Bloom

On July 9 national judges Claire Laberge and Gerry Teahen with Communities in Bloom were in Drayton Valley touring the community with members of the local Communities in Bloom committee and dignitaries. After the tour was over it was time to celebrate as the community was invited down to a transformed Omni II for a celebration with hula hooping, watermelon eating, a free barbecue and a chance to watch Grease on the big screen. The event was made free for the public thanks to local sponsorship.

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Regular meeting of Town Council
Wednesday, July 16, 2014
Council Chambers, Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

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August 11 - August 15
(Ages 9-13)

For more information call Melissa at 780-514-2560 or email: mmqueen@draytonvalley.ca
Registration forms are available at the Omniplex fitness centre desk

CALL FOR BOARD MEMBERS

The Drayton Valley Library Board is looking for "People of Vision" who would be interested in assisting with the direction of our library. If you would like to be a part of the library's exciting journey into the future, please submit your name to serve on the board. Library board members serve a three-year term. Applications may be picked up at the Town Office Reception Desk, County of Brazeau Reception Desk or the Drayton Valley Municipal Library and should be completed and submitted to the attention of:

Gayle Sacuta, Library Board Application
Drayton Valley Municipal Library, 5120-52 Street, Box 6240, Drayton Valley, T7A 1R7
Fax: 542-5753 Further information may be obtained by calling Gayle at 514-2567.

MAYORS GALA NOMINATIONS

Don't miss out on your opportunity to nominate an unsung hero of the community!

The deadline for nominations for Mayor's Gala Awards is Tues. July 15, 2014. We are looking for businesses that go that extra mile, organizations that go above and beyond, individuals or groups that make you feel special – the unsung hero! If you know a person/business/organization/etc. that does all that and more then it is time for that hero to sing!

This year's categories are:

- **Youth Empowerment Award**
- **Community Spirit Award**
- **Corporate Service Award**
- **Humanitarian Award**
- **New Community Organization Award**

Nomination forms are available at the Front Desk of the Town Office

If you need any further information, please contact Jennifer Stone at 780.514.2214

PARENTING

PARENTING AFTER SEPARATION CLASSES

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Both evenings must be attended for certificate. Parenting After Separation is a FREE six hour seminar offering information to parents about the separation & divorce process, the effects of separation & divorce on children, techniques for communication & legal information that affects parents & children.

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Did You Know?

The Town of Drayton Valley has grant opportunities for local events or initiatives that benefit the community.

We are currently accepting applications for the **COMMUNITY EVENT GRANT**
This grant is for those looking to host a local event to celebrate and support the community or local non-profit groups.

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MUD
Mud that is tracked from an area/yard is the responsibility of the individual or company that has tracked it. ***Individuals or the company are asked to clean up after their vehicles as quickly as possible*** to keep mud from being pounded into the roadways or spread into drainage ditches/gutters.

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Mamta Lulla Western Review

Communities in Bloom National Judge Claire Laberge at the Eldorado School Eco-Garden on 50 St. At the garden, the judges learned about how the children at Eldorado School use the garden for educational purposes.

Judges give a thumbs up

Results of national competition won't be released until fall

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Flowers - check; history - check; Drayton Valley - check.

Drayton Valley was on display for two VIP guests last week when the judges for the national Communities in Bloom competition toured the town.

After not quite 24 hours in Drayton Valley they seemed impressed with what they had seen during their stay.

"I think the visit we prepared for, we (were) filled up with what we were looking for about tidiness, the environment, all projects, landscape, the urban forestry and the flower design as well as (the) heritage," said Communities in Bloom National Judge Claire Laberge.

The judges arrived on the evening of July 8 and were welcomed by the Canadian Girls in Training who were flying the peace dove.

"I think they were really touched, it's such a beautiful ceremony that the Canadian Girls in Training do, it's about peace on Earth and embracing all cultures and friendship within everybody. And they said they had never heard of it before, which is always nice," said local Communities in Bloom Committee Chair Nicole Nadeau.

A historical walking tour kicked off the main day of judging on July 9 where the Communities in Bloom committee, along with the Mayor, councillors, Brazeau County Reeve and councillors and some volunteers joined them for the tour.

About 20 people toured historical sights and community highlights, starting at the Civic Centre, followed by the Drayton Valley Legion, original RCMP detachment on 51 Ave., Drayton Valley Bakery, Community Learning Garden, 4-S Skatepark, the Museum, Rotary Pembina Nordic Community Trails, among others, as the judges learned about the history of the town.

"It's a great experience and it's not just put on for us, it's been carried on for 10-14 years, it's a great way to draw your community to get together. I think your volunteerism, and your community involvement and your civic pride is outstanding in your community," said Communities in Bloom National Judge Gerry Teahen at the completion of the tour.

"I find it is very clean, I find all aspects we were looking for, we experienced all that. We look at tidiness of community; we look at volunteerism, heritage, landscaping, floral display and forestry, and all of those things we experienced in our trip," he said.

Laberge added that they experienced town's motto being well portrayed in all the areas last week.

"The motto of the community "pulling together" is really linked with all the people here, the groups and interest. Even in gardening, tidiness, and we could feel that there is an association between CIB committee members, they are everywhere, that's impressive," she said.

Following the judging a free community event drew more than 200 people to the Omniplex for a 50s themed party that included a barbecue, watermelon eating contest, hula hooping and showing of Grease on the big screen.

The results of the competition won't be known until September, said the judges who had six other municipalities to visit as well, all vying for blooms.

"There hasn't been a community where Claire and I have experienced, that they can't do better. No one has ever gotten 100 per cent. It's always nice to be a winner. But it's not a matter of winning or losing, it's about this program enhancing your community and civic pride and getting the people involved and realize what they had in their own community and being proud of it and not afraid of showcasing it. And whether you win or lose, you're all winners because when you put that effort forward, it's a win-win situation, it's wonderful and Drayton Valley is doing very well," said Teahen.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND THE OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE BYLAW 841-14

The purpose of Bylaw 841-14 is to amend the Bylaw authorizing the operation of Off Highway Vehicles on highways, right-of-ways and municipal property in Brazeau County.

Brazeau County Council will hold a Public Hearing at which any person claiming to be affected by the proposed Bylaw 841-14 may ask questions or make their views known. **The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 05, 2014 at 10:00 am** or as soon thereafter as possible in the Council Chambers of the Brazeau County office at 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1

Any written submissions mailed or delivered to Brazeau County, Box 77, 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1 or faxed to 780-542-7770 by 4:30 p.m., July 28, 2014, will be included in the Council Report. Written and oral submissions may also be made at the Council meeting without prior notification to Brazeau County. If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

A copy of this Bylaw is available for public inspection at the Brazeau County Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For further information, please contact the Community Services Department by telephone (780) 542-7777 or by e-mail at rennis@brazeau.ab.ca

UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- Regular Council Meeting on July 15th starting at 9 am.
- Agricultural Service Board Meeting on July 16th has been cancelled. The next meeting will be on August 20th at 10am at the County office.
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting on August 6th starting at 10 am in the Council Chamber. Contact the Planning & Development Department at 780-542-2667 for further information. ***Dates are subject to change.
- The Business Visitation Program interviews with regional businesses have been completed and we would like to thank those that participated. MillerDickinsonBlais is currently undertaking data analysis which will provide the Municipality with a report for implementation. Contact the Economic Development for further details, 780-542-7777.

****All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public.

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(1) No person may in any proceedings under this Act dispute the right of an expropriating authority to have recourse to expropriation.
(2) In any proceedings under this Act the owner may question whether the taking of the land, or the estate or interest therein, is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority.

Section 10 of the Act provides that:

(1) An owner who desires an inquiry shall serve the approving authority with a notice of objection
  (a) in the case of an owner served in accordance with section 8(2), within 21 days of service on him of the notice of intention, and
  (b) in any other case, within 21 days after the first publication of the notice of intention.

(2) The notice of objection shall state
  (a) the name and address of the person objecting,
  (b) the nature of the objection,
  (c) the grounds on which the objection is based, and
  (d) the nature of the interest of the person objecting.

A person affected by the proposed expropriation does not need to serve an objection to the expropriation in order to preserve his right to have the amount of compensation payable determined by the Board or the Court, as the case may be.

The approving authority with respect to this expropriation is

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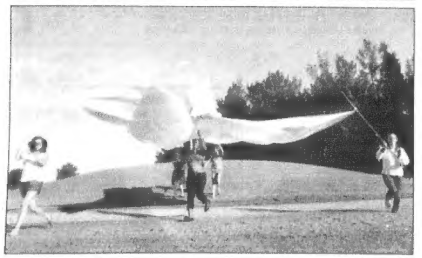
A welcome of peace for judges

Lesley Allan Western Review

On July 8 Drayton Valley came together to welcome Communities in Bloom judges Claire Laberge and Gerry Teahen and bring peace into their life as they gathered at Northview Park. The evening celebration consisted of planting a peace tree, flying the peace dove and sharing words of peace.



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We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All information collected for the above offer of employment is done under the provision of the Freedom of Information and the Protection of Privacy legislation and will be used only for the evaluation of candidates.

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RCMP briefs

Courtney Whalen
Western Review

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE RCMP SEARCH FOR MISSING MAN

Last week the land and water search continued for a 25-year-old man who jumped into the water at the Brazeau Dam Canal on July 1 and never resurfaced.

Rocky Mountain House RCMP were called around 8:30 p.m. on Canada Day after a group of swimmers lost sight of Trent Beaverbones after he jumped into the water. A search using boats and sonar, along with searchers on the ground and in the air didn't locate any sign of the O'Chiese First Nation resident in the first 40 hours of the search.

Resources continued to search for the man last week, but he had yet to be located.

BREAK AND ENTER REPORT LEADS TO ARREST

A man is facing numerous charges after photos of him were found on an iPod that had been reported stolen.

Earlier this month police responded to the report of a break and enter to a local construction site. When they arrived they found an iPod that had been reported stolen had been left at the scene. On the iPod were pictures of a man police knew was under a number of court-ordered conditions.

When the man later attended the Drayton Valley RCMP detachment to check in, as he is required to do as part of his conditions, he was arrested for having the iPod. While he was being arrested he was also found to be in possession of a jack knife and brass knuckles.

The man is now facing charges of possession of property obtained by crime, unauthorized possession of a prohibited weapon, four charges of breaching a recognizance and one charge of breach of probation.

MAN FACING CHARGES FOR POSSESSION OF PROPERTY

A call about stunting on a rural property in the early morning hours of July 6 resulted in an arrest and charges.

Following a preliminary investigation police called in the assistance of the RCMP Police Dog Service to locate a suspect. A man was tracked and arrested and has been charged with possession of property obtained by crime valued at more than $5,000 and possession of property obtained by crime valued at less than $5,000.

BE AWARE OF NOISE LEVELS

As nice weather and summer nights bring people outside, Drayton Valley RCMP are asking residents to be aware and respectful of their neighbours when it comes to noise.

Drayton Valley RCMP Cpl. Marcela McDermott said RCMP have been receiving lots of noise complaints.

Residents are reminded to be aware of their surroundings and remember that noise can carry, so to try and be mindful of noise levels and how it may be disturbing others. Police are also reminding neighbours of the need to be reasonable when it comes to noise and for everyone to use some discretion — whether they're creating the noise, or listening to it.

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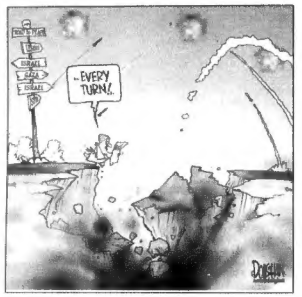

our editorial

Potential danger not worth the bragging rights

There seems to be a magical time of night in Drayton Valley when local streets suddenly transform into drag strips.

On a warm night, when windows are open, or a still night when noise carries, or on any night if you have the misfortune of living along a street popular for the activity, it is easy to hear drivers testing their speedometres. It's not a new phenomenon, residents in some neighbourhoods will tell you it's an activity and a disruption they are very familiar with.

Aside from the obvious noise annoyance, the consequences have the potential to be far more serious than disrupting sleep.

Those types of speeds are dangerous enough on highways and major roads, where there are fewer potential hazards and fewer people. But in town, in residential neighbourhoods the margin for error is miniscule and the chance of unexpected obstacles is high. A cat or dog darting across the road, a hard-to-see pedestrian crossing the road, debris on the street — these are all perfectly plausible scenarios that could cause a loss of control that could cause a collision, either with another vehicle, a person, or an object like a house or power pole.

By last Friday morning 19 people had died in collisions on Alberta highways since July 1. Closer to home a fiery collision closed Hwy. 22 last Friday night.

A rate of more than one death a day due to vehicle collisions is a number that's difficult to comprehend. Speed, distraction, impairment — these are all hazards drivers create themselves, putting their lives at risk as well as others on the road or potentially in their path. Too many people think they're in complete control of their vehicle, only to discover too late they aren't.

No bragging rights, 'cool' factor, or adrenaline rush that comes from tearing up and down local streets, or in and out of local parking lots, is worth what's at risk. It's just not.

It's unlikely any of those who take part in this nightly activity consider the more dire consequences of what they're doing, that's why it's important for the community to do what they can to help curb it.

If you know who the culprits are, or are able to get information on the vehicle or driver, call the police. Regardless of whether they are able to respond right away, or catch the culprits in action, they can at least make note of where and when the activity is happening, which may then be able to influence areas of patrol.

Almost there...

There and Back
Courtney Whalen

I am a person who approaches change with a generally hostile attitude. I understand that change sometimes has to happen, but unless the change is one I've orchestrated myself, I retain the believe that I do not have to like it — at least not for the first few weeks.

So, when I was informed we were switching to a new web-based e-mail program, only a little more than a year after moving to web-based from Mail, I was not pleased.

"Well, I'm going to hate it!" I vehemently harrumphed to anyone who would listen, and then just to the universe after my co-workers started ignoring me.

"Why do we need to switch? What's wrong with what we have? I just figured out most of the quirks from this one!"

In actual fact the program we were using was not that great, as it frequently flashed error messages and had difficulty letting me open and/or delete e-mails on some of its more contrary days. I could frequently be heard yelling things like "WHY WON'T YOU DELETE?!?" or "PLEASE, JUST LET ME OPEN THIS E-MAIL!"

I was assured that the new program was far superior to what we had been using. I remained determined that I would be the final judge of that.

The day came when our IT gurus switched everything over to the new program. I was ready to lament loudly about what an inconvenience it was, how I had lost a bunch of really important e-mails I had been saving and then cruse triumphantly that I had said all along this move was an unnecessary hardship. Unfortunately for me the switchover went smoothly. I scowled in annoyance at being robbed of the justification for my attitude.

Not to fret. As we have settled into the new program I am finding plenty of reasons to yell "I HATE THIS E-MAIL!" to no one in particular.

Because the thing is, the program is far superior to what we were using and is, in fact, far too superior for my antiquated computer. This has resulted in such charming quirks as not being able to forward e-mails and not being able to imbed my signature in e-mails. It also seems to have strange limitations such as forcing me to download every attachment separately instead of in bulk.

You may think these problems are easily solved by doing some updates on my computer. Ah, but you're not taking into consideration just how old and overworked my machine is. Just thinking the word 'update' is enough to make my computer start emitting all manner of whirring and clacking. The last time I attempted to update a program it basically imploded, rendering it useless to me forevermore.

I haven't been able to watch YouTube videos of Benedict Cumberbatch (strictly for research purposes) on that computer for months, and waiting for hilarious gifs of cats doing things to load is nothing short of torturous.

The same goes for accessing my e-mail. Things start off well. I sign in and it politely tells me "starting." Then I wait. And I wait. And I wait. Then something happens. "Still working on it" the program tells me. At this point I take a few minutes to stare off into space, half-heartedly try to straighten some papers, do a few swivels in my chair, marvel at the amount of junk food wrappers that are in my garbage can, send a few texts and check back in. "Still working on it." OK, time to start contemplating the meaning of life.

As if sensing what a dangerous road that is to travel down, the program moves onto the next stage — "almost there.." Excited that the end is in sight I have only enough time to make myself a cup of tea, clip that pesky hang nail that's been bothering me all morning and give one final and decisive "I HATE THIS E-MAIL!" before my inbox finally pops up.

opinion

Tales from retail

Mamta's Musings
Mamta Lulia

Talk about going and being unable to stop. You know when you learned to ride a bike, the first time you were able to balance it on your own and the person you trusted said they won't let go but obviously they did? Remember the first thought that popped into your head? Mine was, so... I have to keep going now, because obviously when I stop I will trip and fall over. That is how I've been feeling the past couple days. I have had enough running around.

One of the reasons for it is because I took up another job. Yeah, what do you know, I am back to working two jobs. A schedule I've been familiar with since last year. It is a cashier job at a local liquor business with hours that work with my primary job here at the Western Review.

I'm no expert but in my three weeks of working there I can now tell you the different types of customers that come in through that door.

Type A: The silent kind. These are usually men who are getting off work and want their stop to be as quick as possible. If it were up to them, they would rather the store was a stop in the middle of a lake so they could fish for their dinner and drink their beer until eternity. In all honesty, I secretly hope for the same eternity dream.

Type B: The nerdy kind. This one is my favourite. I may come across as someone who has refused to return her copy of Mean Girls, but I must assure you I have because I have it on Blu Ray. I kid. But we have often heard that with good looks is accompanied by this sense of accomplishment? That happens more than you would believe. On the other hand, the one with big glasses and a huge Einstein shirt are the ones that smile and are gracious when you cash them out. Maybe they should be proud of their accomplishment of being better human beings. Oh okay, I'll lend you my Blu Ray.

Type C: The chatty kind. Sometimes they are those adorable stay at home moms. They shop for a bottle of wine and always greet you with a nod. They are patient and have time for you if you are slow, which I certainly am. Just ask any of my bosses. Don't go about helping this type, because they know exactly what they want. Just like another kind of customer of a certain age who come in hoping to find more than just a good drink. Ahem.

Type D: The unmentionables. And there aren't too many of them. Usually one per shift would be it. I had a customer come in a few days ago and he asks, "what's your name? Priyanka?" The words, "No. Is your name Bob?" didn't come out of my mouth because well, it's a good job. I wouldn't want to get fired. But yeah, this kind sure exists too.

All in all, customers are amusing. I ding and dang their liquor and spend my time in liquor paradise. Cheers to that.

"Note to self" — Don't let mommy read this.

Around the water cooler...

Welcome, welcome, come one, come all to this latest edition of the water cooler.

To start this week off right we wanted to send huge happy birthdays out to a very special guy who is turning two! This cutie loves puppies, tractors and wowing anyone who is watching with his somersault skills. He's multi-talented and mega adorable — and a ginger to boot! Lots of love and hugs to **Levi Horn**!

Speaking of ginger... There's going to be a sea of red descending on Drayton Valley this week (see what we did with that nice segue? Sometimes we earn our pay cheques). Of course we're talking about the **RCMP Musical Ride** that thunders into the **Lions Rodeo Grounds** on July 16. Gates open at 5 p.m. and the show will start at 7 p.m. with the Young Guns Trick Riders opening and the musical ride to follow. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for children 10 and under. Just a reminder, there is no guaranteed seating for tickets purchased at the gate, so get there early to snag a seat and grab something from the concession.

Those who want to get a closer look at the horses who perform as part of the musical ride can head down to Omni II on July 16 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. when the stables will be open to the public.

For more information check out RCMP Musical Ride in Drayton Valley on Facebook. Don't forget that money raised from the event goes to support the **Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation CT4DV campaign**.

Although registration to take part in some of the activities that will be part of annual **Parks Day celebrations** is closed, the community is invited to come to Willey West Campground and enjoy a **community barbecue** on July 19 from 4-6 p.m. A presentation by Alberta Parks will follow the barbecue, so head over to the picnic area at the campground to celebrate the importance of parks in our community.

Drayton Valley will be playing host to a different kind of event July 25-26 when the **Alberta Trappers Association** hosts its 41st annual **Rendezvous and Outdoorsman Show**. The event will be held at the Omniplex and will include trapper and fur handling competitions and demonstrations, a trade show and lots more. To find out more look for Alberta Trappers Rendezvous on Facebook or go to www.albertatrappers.com.

Now time for that familiar plea... If you have a birthday, anniversary or congratulations message you want to share in the water cooler e-mail courtney.whalen@sunmedia.ca, or **give her a call** at 780-542-5380.

That's it, that's all.

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This architectural concept drawing shows plans for redevelopment of the building that sits at the corner of 52 Ave. and 51 St. in the downtown core. The redevelopment will be anchored by Anytime Fitness and developer Moe Hamdon hopes it will also include a dance school and retail storefronts. Renovations to the building are expected to begin this summer.

Image courtesy of Moe Hamdon

Fitness centre will anchor development

Renovations expected to start this summer

Courtney Whalen
Western Review

There may have been a bit of nostalgia at play when Moe Hamdon purchased the building at the corner of 52 Ave. and 51 St., but with a major tenant secured and renovations poised to start he's excited about revitalizing a major building in the downtown core.

Hamdon purchased the building, which dominates the corner of 52nd and 51st, around two years ago and now plans are coming together for redevelopment.

"I will begin renovations this summer," said Hamdon.

The building's main tenant will be Anytime Fitness, a 24/7 access fitness centre chain with thousands of locations around the globe, which will take up 6,100 square feet of space. Hamdon is also hoping the renovated building will become home to a dance studio as well as additional retail space. Sears, which is currently housed in the building, will stay put.

Last week Hamdon admitted that having grown up in the community and seeing the different evolutions of the building, when it came up for sale that nostalgia played a part. However, so did the belief that bringing new life to the building would provide a good opportunity and also help strengthen the downtown.

"A strong downtown is always a sign of a strong community," said Hamdon, who is also developing a new condominium complex under construction in the downtown area, adjacent to the Brick and Extra Foods.

He's also excited to bring the major fitness chain to Drayton Valley.

With its ease of access, combination of equipment and classes and perks being part of a large chain will bring to members, he believes it is something needed in the community.

"I think it is. With a lot of shift workers in town they're looking for 24/7 access," he said.

Joining him in bringing the gym to town is Carey Peebles. After working with Hamdon on town council and getting to know his business approach, Peebles said he was eager to get involved when he found out what Hamdon was planning.

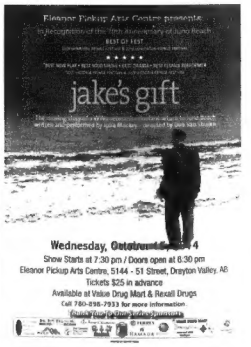
"So I told him I wanted in because I've always been passionate about fitness," said Peebles.

The two will be heading to the U.S. for franchise training this summer and are eager to be open for later this year.

"We're trying to do something different," said Peebles. "I think the accessibility — in an oilfield town — is key."

"With everything that Anytime Fitness has to offer we're very confident that people will be excited about our gym," said Hamdon.

With the development permit approved and a building permit applied for, Hamdon said redevelopment of the entire building will start as soon as all the proper permits are in place.



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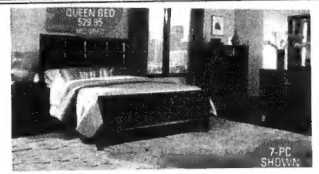

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Young talent rocks EPAC stage

Mamta Lulla Western Review

Rock Camp Alberta young musicians took to Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre on July 12 in its sixth year. They prepared for the big night during their camp that kicked off on July 2. The summer program is typically for youth between 11 and 18. A total of 28 participants took to the stage this year.

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Workers remain in limbo

Delays and uncertainties for foreign workers threaten to kill their Canadian dream

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Far away from home, not being able to work, but somehow having to meet the monthly bill payments, describes the daily life of one immigrant living in Drayton Valley as the government tries to sort through and sort out its Temporary Foreign Worker Program.

A moratorium surrounding foreign workers in the food industry introduced in April has been lifted, but the wait continues for this immigrant, and others like her.

Jesy, who wasn't comfortable giving her last name, said her work visa expired in April and was submitted for the renewal process, but was placed on hold due to the moratorium that was put in place around the same time.

Without her work permit, she hasn't been able to work since then and it doesn't look like she will be back to work anytime soon.

"I was forced to stop working. I called CIC (Citizenship and Immigration Canada), as per my application, they will hear a feedback in October," she said.

"I was expecting when the moratorium was lifted there would be answers to all those questions, but there are no answers. It's really frustrating right now," she added.

Meanwhile, her expenses are catching up with her.

"I am paying my rent, my bills, my phone bill, I don't have any income coming in. I've been waiting since April," she said.

There are other immigrant workers who came to work in Canada and share similar stories.

Because of the increased processing times, Jessica, a foreign worker from Ireland working at a local company in Drayton Valley, said she is worried her process time is longer than the amount of time she has left to stay in the country.

"My process time is two years and I only have a year and half left to stay in Canada," she said.

"The wait times are getting delayed and delayed. When I came here first, when I applied for work permit, and received it and came to Canada, they've completely changed the rules. I don't know if I would've came if I knew the current situation I would be in," she said.

"Because now I am looking at going home having to return, and if I do, the skills that I have gained here in Canada won't apply whereas I could've been working my way up in Ireland all along," she added worried that she may have to return to Ireland.

Meanwhile, local business owners are concerned about what will happen once their current foreign workers contract expires.

Gina Limkimso, who owns a cleaning company in Drayton Valley said she relies on her contract workers (four, currently) as most locals want to work with the company on a part-time basis and her business needs a steady flow.

"I'll be forced to closed down my business. It's so hard to go into contracts (cleaning contracts) when you don't have steady people. Don't get me wrong, I hired local people but they don't stay for too long. The longest time a local stayed is six months and latest for 15 days. We started in 2008 and in 2011 and 2012, we shut down because we didn't have people," she said.

With the changes made by the government, it would now cost $1,000 for each foreign worker applicant.

"The worst part is LMO (Labour Market Opinion) is $1,000 each person you hire. How can I pay $4,000 for them to renew? I am just a cleaning business. It's going to kill small businesses," she added.

Select Placements Ltd. is a recruitment agency that helps its clients with the LMO process. The managing director agreed that the process costs more and has become more time consuming with detailed questions.

"The application is very detailed, they're asking for a lot more and if you make a mistake you have to start all over again and pay another $1,000. I understand why, it's for people to look harder locally, and shy away from the program. But things are different in different parts of Canada. It doesn't really help our problems here. Its not the same in Toronto as it is in Drayton Valley," said Select Placements Ltd. managing director Kathryn Regnier.

"An issue needed to be addressed, there needed to be a response. But as to whether or not the response that they've come up with will be effective, I don't think it will be as effective as they're hoping. Because the people who are going to abuse the program are these companies, whether its $275 for an application or a $1,000, they're still going to abuse it. Whether it's five hours to put an application to get or 10 hours, they will still abuse the program," she said.

Yellowhead MP Rob Merrifield said finding workers in this area is a chronic problem and the Temporary Foreign Worker Program only provided a temporary solution.

"Foreign workers coming in for two years will not be a permanent solution. Temporary FWP is to have a supplement or buffer," he said.

He is hoping to push for a permanent solution, which he believes is pressing for permanent residency.

"I have asked temporary foreign workers – none of them want to go home. I have asked employers, if they need these workers, and they agree to go long term," he said.

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MP hopes to see permanent residency process streamlined

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So what happens to all the current foreign workers?

Merrifield said, "The problem is they were coming under a temporary program, hoping for permanency."

Merrifield is hoping for permanent residency for immigrants with the right skill set and agreed that the wait times for permanent residency applications in the province has increased recently, because immigrants often get their residency and leave to go elsewhere, which doesn't really help the region.

He said labour force isn't short across Canada, it is mostly just in Alberta and particularly in the Yellowhead area and so there need to be ways for these jobs to be attractive for Canadians.

"People won't move across the country for $10 jobs. Our offer is to Canadians first and some of the entry-level jobs are not attractive enough to Canadians. So I anticipate the salaries will go up for these jobs," he said.

Such jobs would include cashier positions or working in the food services industry, Merrifield confirmed.

He said streamlining permanent residency is a work-in-progress and it would take a team approach to make jobs attractive enough and to let everyone know of their availability.

The President of Drayton Valley Multicultural Association Amila Gammana said, "government went from one end to the other in order to find a solution, and by the time they realize they went too far, it may be too late."

Limkimso said those immigrants who are already here have contributed to the economy, and sending these workers home would be a step back for Drayton Valley.

"When I came to Drayton Valley in 2006, most of the fast food restaurants closed at noon time especially on weekends because they were short staffed," she said.

She has also raised the question of CPP contributions and taxes that immigrants pay, just like Canadians. She said Merrifield's office have told her the money will be given back to them when they turn 65.

"If a contract worker leaves, at least return the CPP contribution to them," she added.

Merrifield said, that isn't his area of expertise, but the workers won't get the contributions until they were 65 even if they were in Canada.

He advised individuals with questions, to contact his office as sometimes cases are looked after on an individual basis.

Regnier said the government will have to have many conversations to come up with solution that will work for everyone.

"It's a hard situation to be in. I wouldn't want to be on either side. I am involved because of my clients but I wouldn't want to be business owners or foreign worker or the Canadian government trying to figure out how to regulate this. It's a very complicated situation," she added.

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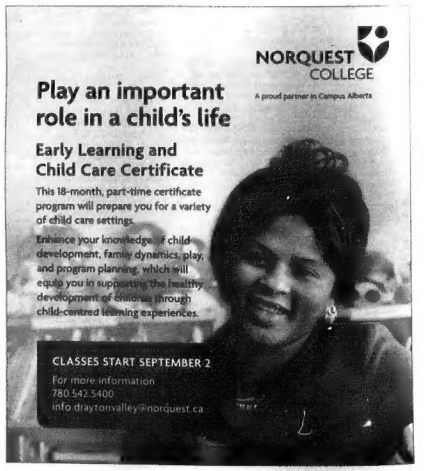

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Court briefs

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CSO FOR MAN WHO FLED FROM POLICE

A 22-year-old who refused to stop for police twice, evading them by travelling at high rates of speed in residential areas and into the Omniplex parking lot, will be under house arrest for six months as part of a one year conditional sentence order (CSO).

On Mar. 27 around 4:25 p.m. Drayton Valley RCMP saw a man, discovered to be Kenneth Caron, get into a truck they had under observation as suspicious. A further check showed the truck had been reported stolen. When police activated their emergency lights in an attempt to get the driver to stop the truck, he accelerated, refusing to stop and started travelling at high rates of speed on residential roads, which were snow covered at the time.

Deciding that continuing to pursue the driver was too risky in the residential setting, police de-activated their lights and contacted additional officers to be on the look out for the vehicle.

At one point the truck was followed into the Omniplex parking lot and when police once again tried to get the driver to stop, he accelerated out of the parking lot quickly. Police lost sight of the vehicle in the area of Range Road 81. However, the next day it was located after RCMP received a report of an abandoned vehicle.

The court heard that when police contacted Caron about the incident he provided a full statement.

Caron's lawyer, Doug Holman, told the court last week that his client maintains he had no involvement in the theft of the vehicle, however it was on his parents' property and he was going to move it when police saw him getting in. Holman said his client panicked, which is why he didn't stop for police.

Last week Caron pleaded guilty to possession of property obtained by crime, flight from police and a charge of failing to report to police. The Crown and defence were seeking a one-year conditional sentence order, where Caron will be under house arrest for six months and must abide by a curfew for the second six month.

The judge agreed to the joint submission.

CUSTODY FOR POSSESSION OF PROPERTY

A man had more than two months left to serve in jail after being sentenced on June 30.

Koby Ida was sentenced on a charge of possession of stolen property valued at more than $5,000.

Ida was given a five month jail sentence on the charge, with credit for 69 days spent in pre-sentence custody, leaving him with 81 days left to serve as of June 30.

MAN ARRESTED WITH SAWED OFF SHOTGUN GETS TIME SERVED

A 21-year-old man was sentenced to 49 days in jail after pleading guilty to having possession of a sawed off shotgun.

Graham Earle was arrested on June 6 after first fleeing from police. Around 3 a.m. that morning an officer on patrol saw a man crouched over a bag. When the officer approached Earle, he ran and a foot pursuit took place. When the officer located Earle in a backyard he saw the man drop some objects on the ground, including a sawed off shotgun. After a brief altercation Earle was subdued by the officer and arrested.

Last week the court heard that Earle had been in custody since being arrested. Defence lawyer Doug Holman said at the time the sawed off shotgun had not been loaded. He told the court that his client had been associating with individuals who gave him the firearm and asked him to get rid of it.

With credit for a day and half for every day served in custody, Earle has the equivalent of 49 days in custody. The Crown and defence were requesting the judge consider a sentence of time served. She agreed.

MAN FINED FOR CARELESS DRIVING

A case that is more than two years old was resolved last week when Richard White pleaded guilty to careless driving in Drayton Valley Provincial Court.

White pleaded guilty to careless driving and the Crown withdrew charges he was originally facing including refusing or failing to provide a breath sample and resisting a peace officer.

The charges date back to Mar. 10, 2012. Last week in court Crown Prosecutor Christine Palmer read in facts that supported the guilty plea to careless driving, stating that on that evening Drayton Valley RCMP on patrol saw a pickup truck travelling at a high rate of speed and a traffic stop was instituted.

Last week White's lawyer said his client admitted to driving in a careless manner.

The 38-year-old was issued a $1,000 fine.

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Following a service capacity review performed by a third party organization, Brazeau County is set to create new positions within the municipality in order to meet the level of service required by council and residents.

In a press release distributed July 8, Brazeau County stated that an expanding population within the municipality made it necessary to have the county's organizational structure reviewed in order to ensure that it was providing the right services, at adequate levels, with the proper personnel, for its residents.

Performed by Zap Municipal Consulting Inc. the review looked at the municipality's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats, in order to determine where areas for improvement existed.

According to Brazeau County Reeve Pat Vos, the outcome of the review was not a surprise.

"The results of our service capacity review confirmed our hunch that the existing workload placed on our people far exceeds existing capacity," she said in the release. "For example, the number of pending applications in our planning and development department already exceeds the total number received in all of 2013 and the timeliness of approving these applications is critical to maximize the good weather days for the construction season."

Based on a review of the county's approved organizational charts, the 2014/15 approved annual budget, including the 2014 service delivery review document, as well as input from municipal staff, the consultant made recommendations that would involve the hiring of nine new positions, eight of which would be full-time equivalent positions while one would be full time term position. These include hires in planning and development, community services and corporate services.

To ensure all positions are created and filled in the best way possible, Vos says the task will not be taken lightly.

"The vision and commitment that we, council and administration, have to move this county forward is to strategically increase our capacity. We do not expect this to be a short or quick process with the global competition for skilled people," she stated in the release.

During the review Zap Consulting compared Brazeau County to similar municipalities with larger populations, resource based economies, that are delivering a wide range of services. The comparison showed that Brazeau County is on the "low end" with respects to the number of full-time equivalent positions, and noted that three of the municipalities with smaller work forces do not provide the same level of services.

Fire Services briefs

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FIRE SERVICES HELP IN SEARCH FOR MISSING MAN

Last week members of the Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services were continuing to help in the search for a man who went missing at the Brazeau Canal the beginning of the month.

"We're assisting with the ongoing search," said Deputy Fire Chief Kamil Lasek last week.

The fire department was working with RCMP out of Rocky Mountain House as part of the search efforts after a 25-year-old man jumped into the water the Brazeau Dam area and never resurfaced.

Trent Beaverbone had been at the dam with a group of people swimming on Canada Day Rocky Mountain House RCMP received the report around 8:30 p.m. July 1.

According to police, rescue crews with boats and sonar began the search immediately, as well as searchers on land and air, but the man wasn't located. The search continued last week. Lasek said the Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services had been involved in the extensive search of the area and canal around where Beaverbones was last seen.

In addition to the involvement in the search for the missing swimmer the fire department received three calls for service last week.

On July 4 the fire services responded to an alarm call at a local apartment building. When they arrived they found there was no fire or emergency.

On July 6 members were dispatched to a single vehicle collision, however the collision was then determined to be in Wetaskiwin County and the response was cancelled.

The following day members from Station No. 2 in Breton responded to a single vehicle collision in the area of Hwy. 616 and Hwy. 20.

TAKE FIRE SAFETY ON THE ROAD WITH YOU

The summer months are prime time for residents to load up the motorhome or RV and get away for some rest and relaxation. But just because you're leaving your cares behind for a few days doesn't mean you can forget about fire safety.

Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services Deputy Fire Chief Kamil Lasek said the fire services strongly recommends those who are travelling or staying in RVs or motorhomes take the same precautions they would at home. It is recommended that RVs and motorhomes be equipped with fire alarms, carbon monoxide and propane alarms.

Be sure to follow the manufacturer's instructions for installation, use and maintenance and, if the alarm is battery operated, be sure to check or change the batteries before hitting the road.

If any of the alarms start to go off, exit the motorhome or RV immediately. If no cause for the alarm can be determined be sure to ventilate the RV thoroughly and reset all alarms. Be sure to check for any trouble-shooting tips from the manufacturer if there continues to be a problem with the alarms. Lasek said if in doubt of a potential cause for what is setting off the alarms contact the fire department.

Travellers should also check their RVs or motorhomes to ensure they have a small fire extinguisher that is in good working condition before they head for their destination.

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Buck Lake Stampede a success on sunny weekend

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84th annual Buck Lake Stampede kicked off July 11 and continued throughout the weekend with wild pony race, mutton bustin' and a free play area for the children and barrel racing, calf roping and team roping for adults. While rodeo clown act amused spectators of all ages

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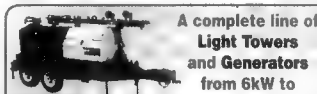
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Local hunters continue with reality show

The Replacements showcase first season of group's own reality show

Lesley Allan
Western Review

It started as a passion, morphed into a national competition, and now enters the stage as a possible new career as four local hunters once again grace the small screen for their first full season as The Replacements on Wild TV.

Comprised of four local hunters, Matt Middlemiss, Chad Telaske, Brad Holinaty, and Marc Andre, the team came into existence as they took part in the first Canadian hunting reality contest. Beginning to shoot footage for the series in 2012, the show aired in 2013 and by the end of its run the four local hunters were selected as one of two winners thanks to high points given by the industry professionals were judging, alongside viewer voting.

The outcome of their win meant the four guys received sponsorship from Wild TV to cover the costs of airing the showing, which after months of hard work went to air for the very first episode on June 30.

"Hopefully people can relate to us because we're just like everybody else," says Middlemiss about the show and how he hopes others receive it. "We aren't some high paid movie star trying to make TV shows because that's what they're told to do, it's more blue collar and we're going to try and help out the local community as much as we can and as much as our schedule allows."

"This takes up a lot of time for us and then we still have family and work to deal with as well," he adds. "So we've tried and will continue to try to get out and help in the community as much as possible."

With three episodes of the 13 week season already aired, Middlemiss says anyone who has missed the show so far this season will be able to catchup, as Wild TV will broadcast all the episodes again once the first full rotation is over.

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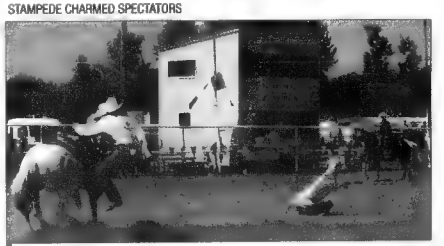

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Adding to this, Middlemiss shares that for those who missed the show that got them where they are today, this season will allow them to take a step back and witness where it all began.

There's generally going to be two to three hunts per episode," he says. We put some of our footage in from the last season during the contest, we put some of that in these episodes as well in case some people may have missed it last year."

So far Middlemiss says that the response they have received from those who watch the show has been positive, but he also says watching the show helps to show the members of the group where they need to put more work in and what they should change for their next time around.

"It's hard to get candid feedback from anybody, but I haven't heard any negative comments yet anyway," he shares. "For the most part we're happy with it, there's a few things we would have probably changed in the few episodes that have aired so far, but again that's all a learning experience."

"It was pretty cool to see The Replacements on (the) TV Guide for the first time," Middlemiss adds.

With their first round of reality TV consisting of shorter clips, Middlemiss says that one of the biggest changes this year is the extent of footage the team requires in order to meet the 22 minute slot. In order to do this he says the team has had to shoot between 20 and 40 hours of footage for each episode and because of this has had to rely on additional help to make it work.

"It's only us filling all of the airtime so you obviously need more footage, we needed a minimum of 13 harvests on video so we ended up getting more than that," he explains. "But now we're also dealing with pro-staff who don't have a ton of experience, and not that we have a ton of experience either, but at least we've done it for a year or two now and have already made mistakes and learned from them, where as our pro staff that we brought on are still making those mistakes. So that was a huge part of [the] season anyway."

Another area in which the show changed for the group was the costs that was before them. Previously with Wild TV compiling and editing the footage to meet The Search's requirements now everything is on the shoulders on The Replacements.

"It was more work because there was a lot of extra cost on our behalf so we kind of have to try and get full sponsorship and everything to try and cover all our costs," says Middlemiss.

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>
> *Matt Middlemiss, The Replacements*

Although this aspect has proved to be a lot of work for the group, who also have full time jobs in the oilfield, as well as families at home, the challenge isn't one that discourages, as they begin to plan what comes next even before their latest work finishes running its course on the network.

"We'll be continuing on doing the exact same thing, but we're footing the whole bill," says Middlemiss. "Wild TV sponsored our airtime for 2014, so for 2015 we'll just be paying the whole bill, but nothing will change."

"I think it's kind of all four of ours' dream for a long time," he continues. "Just growing up watching hunting shows and everything, thinking that it would be a pretty awesome way to make a living, not that we're making a living off of it, or even making any money off of it, but I guess everybody's got to start somewhere."

To help cover the costs The Replacements heavily rely on the support of sponsors both locally and elsewhere. Having had dedicated companies reach out to them in the past and continuing to support them, Middlemiss is grateful but acknowledges more is needed in order for the group to take the show where they want it to go.

"We're still currently looking for sponsors currently I think we've got 10 sponsors and they're all pretty good sponsors from last year," he says. "Usually when somebody signs on with you year after year you're doing a good job for them, but we've also got a few new ones coming on board as well."

"We have a three to five year plan to try and expand and hopefully be in the US market within three to five years," Middlemiss adds.

To learn more about the local hunters and their show you can check out the group's Facebook page The Replacements Canada, or visit the website at www.thereplacements.ca.

Those interested in checking on the show can catch The Replacements Sundays at 1 p.m., Mondays at 3 a.m., Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. and Fridays at 6 a.m. (MST) on Wild TV.

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Abandoned golf course swings back

Birchwood Golf and Country Club open with help of community

Lesley Allan
Western Review

You've heard the saying it takes a community to raise a child, but in the case of Birchwood it has taken the efforts of a committed and close knit community to breathe life back into a previously abandoned golf course.

At one time the nine-hole golf course was the heart of the community that surrounded it, but when previous owners left it abandoned and failing to pieces it became an eye sore and a safety concern for those who lived close to it.

The course went untouched for roughly three or four years, until a family who had been looking at the property finally got the opportunity to take it over once it went up for sale earlier this year.

"We had been looking at it four years ago," shared Roy Thorsen, owner and operator of the facility, now called the Birchwood Golf and Country Club. "My brother lives out here and we had golfed here before and always liked the place. It's a beautiful course and I was actually looking for a change from the job and career that I had. It was finally for sale and as a family venture we figured why not?"

"Some may call us crazy," he continued, sharing details of all the issues they came face to face with. "But today everything is so much better, for a while they (the family) were wondering if we were going to get through it, but between the volunteers, and the family, as well as everybody coming out and helping, from carpenters, concrete guys, engineers, it's made all the difference."

Taking ownership of the proper only three months ago, Apr. 12 started a journey that Thorsen said no one was prepared for.

"I'm not sure how the place was up and running before, nothing seemed to pass code and the fire alarm probably hadn't worked in 10 or 15 years," he explained. "It was just [issues] we never would have thought of."

"When the place was closed they didn't turn off any water or anything so there were pipes that were cracked and toilets were broken, from frost," continued Thorsen. "It seemed like everything we'd attempt or went at something was messed up about it. So we had wants and needs, we hit our needs list first and now finally that we're open we're getting to our wants. So it's coming."

With a late spring coming to the area, Thorsen said a lot of the work started on the interior of the clubhouse, as well as the hotel. Once the weather improved and temperatures allowed for work to begin outdoors a serious look had to be given to the course that had greens overgrown with poplar trees, grass that hadn't been cut in three to four years, as well as bridges that had collapsed into the creeks that traversed through the property.

"Sometimes it just seemed insurmountable," shared Thorsen. "But the volunteers and the support that we have has made all the difference to us. It made it worthwhile to us, it's definitely gratifying having them behind us, pushing us. If we hadn't have had that we really would have second guessed our decision, but with everybody here it's really been fantastic."

Also taking on a lease of the campsite located next to the golf course Thorsen said opening all the facilities during the beginning of July also proved to be a challenge, but now that things are up and running, and golfers are making their way back to the course, things are moving along and will only improve from here.

"I think all in all we're doing okay, if you had asked me that last week I might not have said that, but this week it's much better," he said. "The first week that we opened, and of course we opened the golf course, the lounge and kitchen, as well as the hotel, and the campground all in the same week. [Looking back] now that might have been a mistake with so much going on, but now that we're over that initial hump our feelings are that at least it won't be like that again, at least we won't have to do that week over again. So it's been really good."

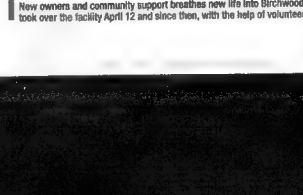
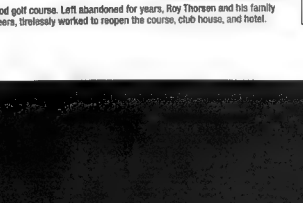
Travelling the rolling hills and crossing the Modeste and Buck Lake Creeks that intertwine through the property, excitement and pride can be seen in the face of Thorsen.

Reflecting on the process it has been to get the golf course back to the state it is in now, he says he hopes to have in back in top qualities conditions by next year, but adds no matter how far they get he and his family can not take credit for all the work that was done, as the community that has embraced them has pushed it over the top.

"All of their help has been greatly appreciated," he says of the more than 40 volunteers that gave of their time. "It's nice that everybody is so close, it has made all of the difference to us."

"The work here has just been crazy and we wouldn't be open right now if we didn't have our volunteers," Thorsen adds. "The people that live here have spent countless hours helping out. From cleaning, building bridges, of course we have a little bit of an older crew, but they have done so much work we wouldn't be open now if it wasn't for them. The support here has just been fantastic."

To learn more about the new Birchwood Golf and Country Club call (780) 542 6606, or e mail birchwoodgolfandcountryclub@yahoo.ca.

Lesley Allan Western Review

New owners and community support breathes new life into Birchwood golf course. Left abandoned for years, Roy Thorsen and his family took over the facility April 12 and since then, with the help of volunteers, tirelessly worked to reopen the course, club house, and hotel.

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Mamta Lulla Western Review

A lot of people came out to get a taste of what Drayton Valley eateries have to offer on Canada Day at the Rotary Park during the annual Taste of Drayton Valley event in support of Hearts for Lushoto.

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NEWS

ATVs stolen, one recovered

CRIME STOPPERS

The Thorsby/Breton RCMP is investigating the break and enter to a residence and outbuildings at a property outside of Lindale. Perpetrators attended the property more than once between July 5 and 6, stealing two ATVs and multiple tools and other items. One ATV has since been recovered, found stashed in the bush outside of Drayton Valley.

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The Breton/Thorsby RCMP is investigating a theft of a holiday trailer. Sometime between June 27 and 30 a trailer was stolen from an acreage on hwy. 13 near Buck Lake. The trailer is a white 2007 KZIAG, model 29 JBS. The plate that is attached to it is W91994, and has a decal of a jaguar on the front.

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Breton/Thorsby RCMP are investigating a break and enter. On May 26 a break and enter in a residence occurred near Alsike. It occurred during the afternoon, during daylight. The perpetrator took some firearms including a nickel plated Winchester 25-20, passport and money from the house. Remember to secure your valuables and firearms properly.

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On May 25 Breton RCMP received a complaint of a theft of tires near Buck Creek. The tires were mounted on rims and had an 18" diameter. These tires were displayed for sale adjacent Hwy. 22 north of the Hwy. 616 intersection.

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On Apr. 13 just before 4 p.m. a burgundy coloured four door diesel F-350 pickup truck, with a diesel slip tank in the box, fueled up with $500.07 worth of diesel and left the Modeste Creek Gas Station without paying. The male driver was described as being shorter with dark curly hair, wearing sunglasses and a ball cap. The truck headed south on Hwy. 20.

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On Mar. 24, Breton RCMP received a complaint of a stolen Dodge 3500 Diesel truck and a Gator made 30' flatdeck trailer from a lease site west of Breton. The truck was equipped with GPS tracking, and was recovered a short time later. The trailer was disconnected from the truck and found abandoned on another lease road not far from the initial theft.

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On Mar. 16, Breton RCMP received a complaint of break and enter into a residence near Buck Creek. The property owners had trail cameras in place on the property, which aided in the identification of the persons responsible. With the evidence Breton RCMP charged David Adams and Heather White from the Drayton Valley area with breaking and entering into a residence, theft under $5,000, and mischief to property under $5,000.

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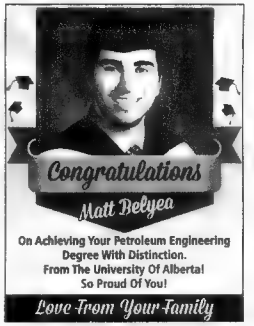
If you know who is responsible for these crimes, please contact your local RCMP detachment, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS or online at TipSubmit.com. If your tip leads to an arrest you may qualify for a reward. Tips provided by the telephone or the internet are anonymous and secure.



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600-699	$215 $250	$200 $215
500-599	$215 $255	$210 $240
400-499	$220 $260	$210 $245
300-399	$220 $260	$210 $245
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Farmers hope for quieter hail season

AFSC increases hail coverage levels to better protect crops

Agriculture Financial Services Corporation

With Drayton Valley area crops now seeded and starting to grow, farmers across the province are hoping for a quieter hail season this summer following record levels of hail damage over the past two years.

"Last year marked the third highest amount of hail damage to crops across Alberta in our 77 years as a provincial hail insurer," says Jackie Sanden, program co-ordinator with Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC). "Our branches reported 522 storm cells last year that pelted crops with hail from Fort Vermilion to the US border. The damage was widespread. Southern Alberta and Hail Alley," which stretches westward along Highway 2 from Rocky Mountain House to Calgary, and eastward through Wheatland County, were particularly hard hit."

More than $257 million was paid out on more than 6,400 hail claims across Alberta last year, including Brazeau County, through AFSC's Straight Hail Insurance program and the Hail Endorsement rider that most farmers add to their crop insurance. The highest claim year was in 2012 when $445.6 million was paid on more than 8,400 claims. "Alberta's top three years for record hail damage have all occurred in the last six years," says Sanden, noting 2006 marked the second highest year with $263 million in claims paid out.

INGREDIENTS FOR HAIL

Environment Canada meteorologist Dan Kulak says wet spring weather and unusually high humidity over the last few years have likely contributed to the amount of hail in Alberta lately.

"Humidity and ground moisture fuel thunderstorms that produce hail," says Kulak, noting other ingredients include heat and a trigger to set everything in motion. "That trigger can be simple daytime heating, causing warm air to rise and mix with cooler air above. Another trigger is the jet stream – that river of air that storms tend to follow — which flows over the mountains and right through the middle of Alberta every summer," he explains.

The mountains play a huge role in thunderstorm formation. They're the reason Alberta tends to get more hail than anywhere else in Canada, says Kulak.

"You can be sure Alberta will get hail this year. The question is how much," he says, noting every part of the province is susceptible to hail. "The wetter things get in June, the more storms we can end up with because the moisture just keeps recycling itself."

STRAIGHT HAIL COVERAGE INCREASED

As farmers brace themselves for the coming hail season, AFSC is increasing the coverage levels offered through its Straight Hail Insurance program.

"Producers have asked us to boost the coverage caps to help them protect their crops and cover their hail risk more effectively. As such, we're raising the maximum coverage farmers can insure on most crops to better reflect today's higher crop values and rising input costs," says Sanden.

Coverage has been increased by a minimum of $75 per dryland acre and $175 on irrigated crops, with significant increases on potatoes, says Sanden.

"We've also created new coverage categories for higher-value crops like chickpeas and canola, which can now be insured for $325 per dryland acre, and $425 on irrigated crops. Full details are available at www.afsc.ca," she adds.

A growing number of farmers auto-elect Straight Hail coverage with their crop insurance in April, says Sanden, pointing out it gives them a two per cent premium discount. "It also gives them hail protection as soon as their crops emerge. If crops are struck by an early hailstorm before they're insured, fields with more than 25 per cent damage will be declined Straight Hail coverage for the rest of the growing season," she explains.

Administrative Costs Reduced

"We're also seeing more farmers purchase Straight Hail coverage online because they like being able to access it from home around the clock," says Sanden. About 20 per cent of farmers bought Straight Hail online last year, creating efficiencies that led to a two per cent reduction in the administrative costs built into Straight Hail premiums this year. Sanden notes first time users must contact AFSC for an activation key to purchase online coverage.

AFSC has provided hail insurance to Alberta farmers since 1938 when special legislation was passed creating the Alberta Hail Insurance Board, which later became AFSC.

"Farmers needed someone to offer hail insurance in every corner of the province, because back then it wasn't available everywhere, the risk was too high," says Sanden. "That same need exists today, because hail is still the biggest risk Alberta farmers face each year. We continue to offer hail insurance in every township, and we don't limit the number of acres we'll insure," she says, noting AFSC's mandate has broadened today to include the delivery of all risk crop insurance, livestock price insurance, lending, and income stabilization programs on behalf of government.

Photo Courtesy of AFSC

Following record hail damage to crops across Alberta over the past two years, AFSC is increasing the coverage on its Straight Hail Insurance program to help farmers better protect their crops as they brace themselves for the coming hail season, says Jackie Sanden.

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NEWS

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WILDFIRE ON PARK'S EDGE STILL ACTIVE
Jasper Valley Signpost Canyon

Working alongside Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, personnel from Parks Canada fire management successfully conducted a 550 hectare burn out operation in Banff National Park Tuesday evening in an effort to protect the park from a spreading wildfire on the park's northeast boundary.

Sparked by lightning on the evening of Thursday, July 3 roughly 4.5 kilometres from the Saskatchewan River Warden Station south of Highway 11, the fire has grown to roughly 2,600 hectares since it started, with approximately 700 hectares of burned land in Banff National Park.

The 550 burn out operation creates a barrier between the fire and park lands to the west, removing potential fuel that could otherwise help the wildfire spread.

"This operation tied the existing wildfire to Murchison Creek as the control line, which has helped prevent further spread of the fire. The burn area is highly visible from Highway 93N and Highway 11," said Tania Peters, a communications officer with the Lake Louise, Yoho and Kootenay Field Unit in a statement issued Wednesday.

"Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development has done successful burning over the past few days to guide the Spreading Creek wildfire into natural fire guards. The similar operation by Parks Canada has modelled the excellent work ESRD has done. Over the next few days, fire personnel will be monitoring and managing the burn area to reinforce the containment areas, ensuring no further fire spread. Fire specialists from both agencies will continue to manage the fire based on weather conditions and fire behaviour."

According to the latest update from Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development, the fire was classified as being held as of Wednesday morning, meaning that given current weather conditions and resources, the wildfire is not anticipated to grow past expected boundaries.

"It was initially around 200 hectares when we first got a good understanding of its size. We only had about 30 hectares within Banff National Park, and the remaining burned areas were within the province of Alberta," said Parks Canada education and outreach officer Rachel Pennell.

So far, the fire hasn't threatened any Parks Canada infrastructure. Highway 11 was closed for a period of time Sunday, but was reopened Monday, and Highway 93 remains open. Pennell said what while there is currently no need to protect the Saskatchewan Crossing area or the Saskatchewan River warden station, Parks Canada has the resources available to do so if necessary.

Signage will be placed on Highway 93 North and Highway 11 indicating no-stopping zones due to fire operations and smoke in the area. A closure is currently in place for the Warden Lake trail, and boat access to the North Saskatchewan river is restricted between the Highway 93 north bridge and the Banff National Park eastern boundary.

Pennell said that while wild fires can indeed be destructive, they also play a vital role in keeping the landscape of the park healthy and diverse.

"Parks Canada use fire as an ecosystem restoration process. In the process of suppressing fires we end up with large build-ups of fuel and it decreases the overall diversity on the landscape. In the long-term, fire really improves park ecosystem diversity and it's a regenerative process," she said.

"It can look really devastating and destructive, but it's got potential to restore ecosystem diversity and it's a really positive regenerative process over time in terms of creating diversity within a forest, different age classes, different species".

PEACE RIVER PALS PADDLE THE YUKON RIVER
Peace River Record-Gazette

What started out as two friends talking while working the night shift, ended in the completion of the world's longest canoe race.

Stephen Byrne and Sjouke Buruma are avid canoeists, good friends and co-workers at DMI in Peace River. The two talked on and off for several years about taking part in the Yukon River Quest. This year the stars aligned and they were able to go.

The race is 715 kilometres starting in Whitehorse and ending in Dawson City. This year there were 66 teams representing 13 different countries. It's the longest canoe and kayak race in the world.

They started off at noon on June 25 and aside from two mandatory rest stops, one for seven hours and one for three hours, they paddled for 66 hours straight.

The first rest stop was 26 hours into their journey.

"Sleep deprivation was definitely the most challenging aspect," said Buruma. "Towards the first checkpoint I was start ing to hallucinate."

At one point as they were approaching the rest stop Buruma asked Byrne if he could see the people on the shore. Byrne said to ask them how far it was to the rest stop. That was a hallucination though, said Buruma.

"We knew we were stubborn and that would help," said Byrne. "But our real strength was our ability to read the lake, it kept us from capsizing."

The route takes paddlers through some of the Yukon's most pristine wilderness. Byrne and Buruma said they saw grizzlies on the shore at one point.

"You have to carry supplies with you," said Byrne. "You're required to bring enough to survive in the wilderness for a couple of days, including food and a tent."

Buruma and Byrne said they participated for the experience and never thought seriously about winning.

"About a third of the racers there are really serious, and those guys do the circuits and race lots," said Buruma. "For us the goal was to do it and finish."

They said they're not sure they'd compete in the race again.

"I think for us that was such a good run, there were no problems," said Buruma. "You can't top that for me it would be a tough one to top."

He said in the future they might consider a trip down the Nahanni river, though at a more leisurely pace.

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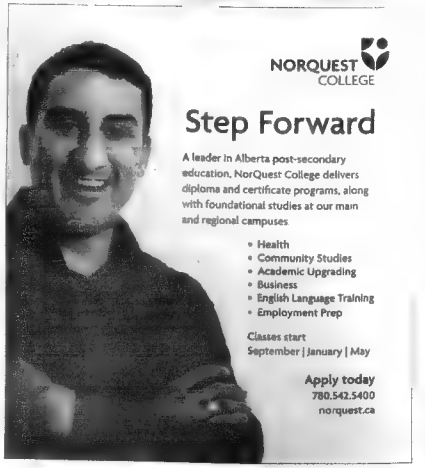

NEWS

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AI BERTA GOV'T SELLING ENDANGERED CARIBOU HABITAT

Hinton Pod Leader

Environmentalists are upset over the provincial government's continuing sale of endangered caribou habitat.

But a spokesman for Alberta Environment says they are working on range plans to protect the endangered animals, with two of the plans concerning herds near Hinton that should be implemented by the end of this year.

The Alberta Wilderness Association criticized the most recent round of caribou habitat sales on June 25, when Alberta Energy leased 264 hectares in west central Alberta and 264 hectares in northeast Alberta for oil and gas development. The new leases will further harm herds near Grande Cache and the west Athabasca, according to the AWA.

"Alberta's caribou will soon disappear without new rules, whereas mineral resources will not go away and can be extracted with a greatly reduced footprint compatible with caribou," stated Carolyn Campbell, AWA conservation specialist. "The Alberta government has it backwards by making caribou wait for range plans to be developed, while not pausing oil and gas leasing in their ranges."

Caribou habitat in the endangered Narraway herd is facing over 80 per cent disturbed habitat, while the West Side of Athabasca River herd's habitat could be over 70 per cent disturbed noted the AWA in a June 25 press release. These disturbance levels are past the 35 per cent limit under the federal Species at Risk Act.

Central mountain population caribou in Alberta and B.C. were reassigned in May as an "endangered" species by the federal government's Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada.

Kevin Zahara, press secretary for Alberta Environment Minister Robin Campbell, said the provincial government should have protection plans in place by the end of this year for the A La Peche and Little Smoky herds, which range between Hinton and Grande Cache.

"In those ranges we have placed a temporary hold on the sale of new Crown mineral agreements," Zahara said, adding that forestry companies have deferred harvesting in the area until range plans are complete. "We'll be continuing on to develop range plans in other parts of the province."

Alberta has 16 woodland caribou populations remaining in Alberta and all but three of them are in decline, he said.

Industry still has to go through regulatory processes for leases, which may or may not be developed depending on compliance, Zahara noted. Companies must ensure that they are reducing their environmental impact.

"We want to ensure that we have self-sustaining caribou populations throughout the province," he said. "This is an issue that doesn't just impact Alberta, it impacts provinces throughout the country."

The A La Peche and Little Smoky herds had an estimated 135 and 78 animals remaining as of

Alberta Wilderness Association vice-president Cliff Wallis said they are pressuring the government to ensure there are permanent and legally designated protected areas for endangered caribou.

"That's the only hope that we have going for ward," Wallis said. "Everything else is just words spouted by a politician."

"[Legal processes] take time," Wallis continued. "I don't think these animals have the time Alberta is probably the most heavily impacted."

WESTERN GREBE PERSISTS IN THE FACE OF DEVELOPMENT

Spruce Grove Examiner- Stony Plain Reporter

You just never know what kind of quacks are hanging out in your backyard — at least, according to a recent study of a threatened bird population on Lake Isle and Wabamun Lake.

The western grebe, a thoroughly majestic bird with blood-red eyes, was the topic of investigation for researchers Mara Erickson, Christine Found-Jackson and Mark Boyce, who decided it was high time someone looked into the effects human encroachment has had on their habitat.

The result of the study, which considered 43 Albertan lakes, were both encouraging and informative: the birds are surviving, but we need to give them a helping hand.

"These birds are persisting on lakes with high development rates, but in some cases, their numbers aren't doing great," said Erickson, who added she did a separate analysis on their numbers apart from the habitat study.

"It really depends on how people use the lake. A lake can be completely developed along the shoreline, but let's say nobody ever goes in the water — then the birds might be fine. But ... if everybody is bringing their boat, or if there is a new launch built right by a nesting site, that could affect the birds. It could disturb them to the point where they don t nest."

The study found Lake Wabamun has a fairly stable grebe population, something Erickson found surprising given the amount of development around the lake.

Lake Isle, on the other hand, had more questionable results.

"Lake Isle is the one where the numbers definitely go up and down. They've never been more than about 150, 170 birds in the nesting colony, (and) the last couple years, they haven't had huge nesting success," Erickson said.

The best thing people can do, she noted, is respect the colonies and be aware they exist. The birds typically nest all in one spot.

Additionally, Erickson cautions lake-goers to be careful not to upset the balance of habitat grebes need. That includes "emergent vegetation — vegetation that has its roots in the water but protrudes from the surface, such as bulrushes or cattails.

"Western grebes do prefer the bulrush, and I think that's because it's thick and dense enough that they can build a nest right in it, but it's not too thick that they can't swim around in it," Erickson explained.

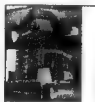
"That's an issue we see, especially since a lot of the bulrush beds are right along the shoreline. People really like having weed-free beaches and things like that, so a lot of time people like to clear that out just for aesthetic purposes ... (But bulrushes) are actually really good for the wildlife there, and for the water: it cleans the water."

Additionally, as grebes are diving birds, they need both depth and a healthy fish population. That can be a problem for fishermen who use nets — Erickson says the use of nets in Lac Ste. Anne have caught grebes before.

As for water conditions, such as blue-green algae — a big concern for Lake Isle, which was the first lake in Parkland County this year to be issued a health advisory by Alberta Health Services about the presence of the toxic algae — Erickson says she's not sure it affects the bird directly. It does, however, affect fish populations, which in turn affects the grebe.

"This year, there was a big winter kill of the fish in Lake Isle. That was attributed to the amount of algae that depleted the water of oxygen for the fish," she said.

In all, the study found western grebes persisted on 27 of the original 43 lakes known to support their population during the past 40 years, with evidence of breeding on 10 of those 27 and established nesting colonies on eight of those 10.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The community of Breton continues to get support from all over the area as Barmac Contracting presents the Breton Community Centre Fundraising Committee with a donation of $10,000 toward the facility.

PASSING THE BUCK

Lesley Allan Western Review

The health of those living in the area of Drayton Valley got an extra boost from Pembina Pipeline when the company presented the Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation with a cheque for $50,000 for the CT4DV campaign.

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Opinion

Strengthening the value of citizenship

Yellowhead Report

Rob Merrifield
MP Yellowhead

Our riding of Yellowhead is one of the most welcoming in the country and our communities are made up of people and families from all over Canada and the world.

Canadian citizenship is something that often those of us born here take for granted, but that most of Canada's newcomers treasure. Our immigration system is well recognized as one of the most generous and welcoming in the world, but we must make sure that it continues to protect and promote Canadian interests and values.

Your government has already taken important steps to improve the efficiency and integrity of our immigration system, and the Strengthening Canadian Citizenship Act the first comprehensive reform of the Citizenship Act in a generation will build on our accomplishments.

These reforms include [illegible] measures to [illegible] when the value [illegible] adian citizen[illegible]ip continuing to [illegible] the immigration [illegible] and protect tax [illegible]s. Your government's changes are a reflection of [illegible] belief that Canadian [illegible]zenship is not just a passport of convenience. Rather, Canadian citizenship comes with rights and responsibilities, and a commitment to Canada and Canadian values.

To help ensure that citizenship applicants maintain strong ties to Canada, we are extending the residency requirements to four of the six previous years for which a physical presence in Canada is required. We will also require that applicants between the age of 14 and 64 years of age meet language requirements in French or English and pass a knowledge test. These requirements will help ensure that new Canadians are fully prepared to participate in Canadian society.

We are helping improve the integrity of our immigration system as we crack down on citizenship fraud with stronger penalties for fraud and misrepresentation. We are making sure people who commit serious crimes abroad can't become Canadian citizens. We are also revoking Canadian citizenship from dual-nationals convicted of terrorism, high treason, spying offences, or who take up arms against Canada. What's more, any permanent resident who commits any of these acts will be barred from applying for Canadian citizenship.

In recognition of their important contributions, we will fast track applications for permanent residents who serve as members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

We will extend citizenship to children adopted or born to Canadian parents serving the Crown abroad. We are also taking action to right the historical wrong of so called "Lost Canadians" once and for all.

Canadian citizenship is more popular than ever. In addition to strengthening requirements for citizenship, important measures that we are introducing to streamline the application process will significantly improve the efficiency of our immigration system. Reducing the decision-making process from three steps to one is projected to reduce the processing time to less than a year by 2015-2016.

Lastly, by modestly increasing citizenship fees to better reflect the actual processing cost, we are relieving the burden on Canadian taxpayers.

The people of Yellowhead can be confident that the Strengthening Canadian Citizenship Act is protecting the value of Canadian citizenship for those who have it, while creating a more efficient system for those applying for it.

Your government is committed to helping ensure our immigration system serves the interests of all Canadians.

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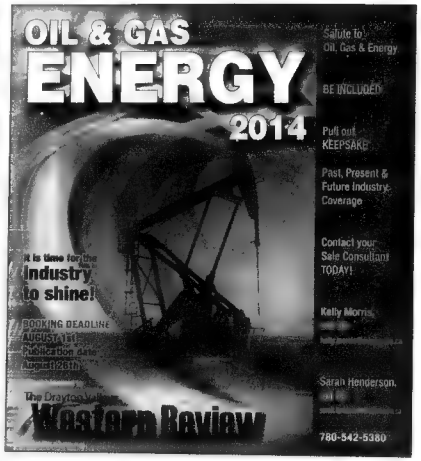

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advice

Overheating lowers productivity, endangers workers

Dear Working Wise

I'm working on a road repair crew this summer. A couple of days have already been so hot that I felt like I was going to pass out. What can I do to keep my cool this summer?
Signed, Overheated

Dear Overheated:

After a relentless winter and wet spring, summer has finally arrived and that means it's time for workers and employers to start thinking about working safely in the heat.

Our bodies work best in a very narrow temperature range. Raising or lowering your core temperature a couple of degrees beyond normal (98.6° F or 37° C) can cause severe damage to your brain, heart and other organs.

Our bodies regulate temperature by sweating and shivering. If you don't replace the fluid you lose from sweating, you can dehydrate and your body will stop sweating. Heat will build up and you will be in serious trouble.

Early warning signs of heat stress include headache, dizziness, fatigue, feeling faint, irritability, heavy sweating, heat rash, muscle cramps, dehydration, and changes in breathing and pulse.

Keep your cool this summer by following these tips:

- Create shade and work in the shade when possible.
- Take short frequent breaks away from the heat/sun.
- Wear reflective/insulated cooled clothing near heat sources.
- Limit your sun exposure especially during peak times (Noon - 3 p.m.).
- Drink small amounts of water frequently, e.g., a cup every 20 minutes.
- Wear loose-fitting lightweight clothing that wicks sweat away from the skin.
- Avoid caffeinated drinks, alcohol and pop, because they tend to dehydrate you.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat, UV absorbent sunglasses and minimum SPF 30 sunscreen.

You and your employer can also help limit the effects of working in the heat by:

- Avoiding intense physical activity during the hottest times;
- Implementing a schedule of work and rest periods, and
- Providing a cool rest area for workers to recuperate.

Other ways to keep cool at work, include:

- Lower the air temperature with air conditioning.
- Increase air circulation by using a fan or opening a door or window.
- Lowering the humidity using an air conditioner, dehumidifier or ventilation system.
- Rotating workers between more and less demanding activities.
- Decreasing exposure to radiant heat (e.g. asphalt, heavy machinery, etc.) by moving hot equipment away from the work area, moving the work away from things that radiate heat, or by using barriers to reflect or block the sun/heat.

For more tips and information on working safely in the heat, check out the Government of Alberta's booklet *Best Practice Working Safely in the Heat and Cold*, which is available at: http://work.alberta.ca/documents/WHS-PUB_GS006.pdf

— Do you have a work-related question? Send your questions to Working Wise, at charles.strachey@gov.ab.ca. Charles Strachey is a manager with Alberta Human Services. This column is provided for general information.

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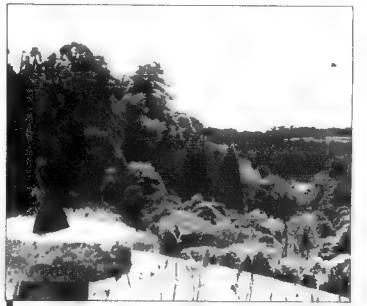

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After decades of neglect Major Tony Hibbert and his wife dedicated years of their lives to restoring this garden in Cornwall, England to its former beauty.

My meeting with Major Tony Hibbert at his home in Trebah Gardens in Cornwall, England was memorable and enjoyable in the extreme. While travelling to some of the great gardens of south west England with my daughter Heather (the landscape architect in training) I had made prior arrangements to interview the man responsible for rediscovering this horticultural treasure — Trebah.

At 94 years old he has an amazingly sharp wit and a clear recollection of things past. Mind you, it might help that he has told the stories that he shared with us many times before.

Major Hibbert tells the extraordinary story of a 26 acre garden that time forgot and that he had no knowledge of until he acquired it. When he moved into the 'house on the hill' overlooking Falmouth Harbour in 1979 his dream was to sip gin in the morning and sail in the afternoon. This was his idea of retirement after a life in the army and latterly the business world. As he put it, "We were trying to avoid work."

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A life of leisure was not to be, thanks to a visit from the secretary of the Cornwall Horticultural Society the eighth day after they moved in. On that day Chancellor David Davies 'poked his head around the corner,' introduced himself and was invited by the Hibberts to enjoy some gin on the patio. A drink or two later the Chancellor asked if he could show the Major some of the assets on his newly acquired property.

The tour revealed 20 metre (60 foot) rhododendrons, four metre high Australian tree ferns, a couple hundred specimen trees and the bones of a garden that, in its past glory, was considered one of the finest in England. More than 40 years of neglect had changed things and at that moment the new owners could see that their plans would change.

Mr. Davies suggested that three years of full time work would fix most of it. Tony and his wife thought, "Well, three years isn't so long."

At that point they devoted themselves to the rebirth of the place, never guessing for a moment that 'retirement' consisted of the launch of a new career that would essentially never end. Until then neither of them had gardened a day in their lives.

TREBAH TODAY

Asked what is his favourite part of the garden the Major (as he prefers to be called) points out the double doors of his dining room to the view over the English Channel. He exclaims,

"That is it, right there."

Did you get any help or advice from others as you refurbished the garden?

"Yes. Lots and most of it was rubbish. But 10 per cent was extraordinary and I am grateful to those who gave it."

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He reflects on the Trebah Garden Trust that he created 20 years ago so that the garden would continue to be managed and protected for future generations.

"A garden like this deserves the security of a 200 year tenure. Forty-two years of neglect almost ruined the place."

How do you feel about your second career as a gardener?

"If it were not for this garden I would have died of gin and boredom years ago. The thing that I really love about it is that I come from a line of artists. I could see the bones of the garden and I could visualize what it could be after six generations of gardeners had lived here. This has also been a wonderful opportunity for my late wife and I to make new friends."

I turn to my daughter who has been taking notes for me.

"I really enjoy touring gardens with Heather. As a landscape architect she sees things differently than I do."

The Major smiles and asks her, "And does he listen?"

Listening has been easy for the past three hours, including a welcome lunch of homemade beef stew. Both our memories and our brains are full and nourished in ways that neither of us had anticipated.

Visit Trebah Gardens at www.trebah-garden.co.uk.

— Mark Cullen appears on Canada AM every Wednesday morning at 8:40 a.m. He is spokesperson for Home Hardware Lawn and Garden. Sign up for his free monthly newsletter at www.mark-cullen.com.

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He spent most of his life with his parents Bob & Gwen Petrunia of Tomahawk, Alberta.
He passed away April 16th 2014 in a drowning accident in Peterborough, Ontario.

Joseph was predeceased by grandmas & grandpas Petrunias & Johnstons, also baby brother Anthony James, Aunties & uncles & special friends Jean & Henry McKinnon

Surviving Joseph are his mom & dad, brother Rob (Mary Lou) & new baby nephew Anthony Joseph Petrunia (born July 6, 2014) most favourite cousin (Kerrie Minor) and many friends.

Cremation has taken place, funeral memorial service will be held in September

Glenna Colleen Keewatin-Horvath
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On Friday, June 27, 2014 Glenna Horvath of Drayton Valley passed away at the age of 62 years

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Glenna was predeceased by her parents, two sisters Barbara O Soup and Wanda Keewatin and her nephew Quannah O'Soup

Funeral Services for Glenna were held on Thursday July 3, 2014 at 2:00 pm at the Rocky Rapids Community Hall Rocky Rapids, Alberta with Rev Robert Wright officiating and Interment followed at Riverview Cemetery, Drayton Valley

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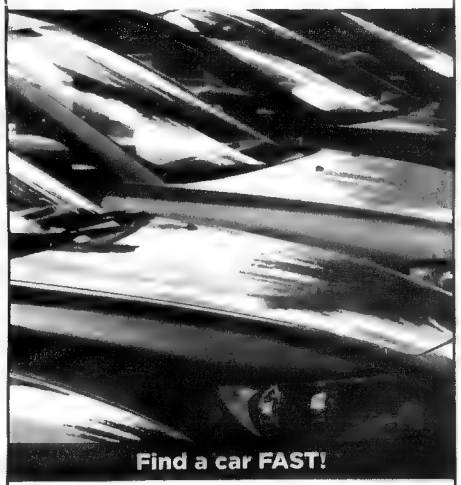

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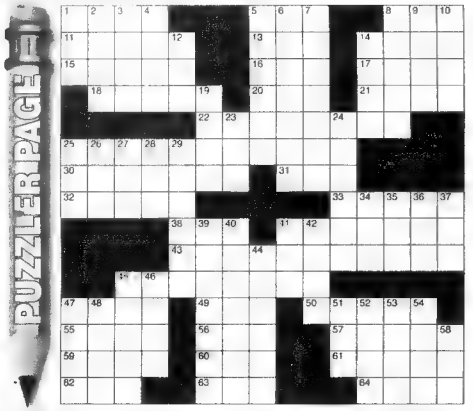
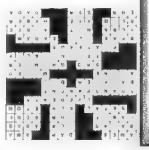


CLUES ACROSS

1 Iowa State town
5 Dip lightly into water
8 Doctors' group
11 AKA red spinel
13 Actress Lupino
14 Camel or goat fabrics
15 TV delivery system
16 Chronicles (abbr.)
17 Bolivian river
18 Like a moss capsule
- stalk
20 Short 1st name for actor Bacon
21 Br. boarding school
22 Gorges
25 Guileless
30 More obstinate
31 Pair
32 Ablaze
33 Muffled
38 No seats available
41 More blackened
43 Proficiently skilled
45 Flat highlands
47 Hillside (Scot.)
49 Stricken
50 MN 55121
55 Sutter Cnty. City seat
56 In no way
57 V. Woolf playwright
59 Nev. Sen. Harry
60 Ingested
61 Nobel Prize winner Fritz
62 Make a mistake
63 Sirius Satellite Radio (abbr.)
64 Mama's partner

CLUES DOWN

1 Disney network
2 Oldest river (alt. sp.)
3 Dresden River
4 Preservative
5 Bargain
6 Stuck fast
7 Nouveau-riche
8 Plural of 14 down
9 Hand (Spanish)
10 7th Hindu month
12 A large body of water
14 Assist in some wrongdoing
19 Run with a long stride
23. Volt-ampere
24 Oppenheimer's bomb
25 Don't know when yet
26 British Air Aces
27 C. Clay's new surname
28 Norwegian monetary unit (abbr.)
29 Afternoon nap
34 Actress Thurman
35 '___ death do us part'
36. Snakelike fish
37. Not wet
39 Eye membranes
40. Spotted wildcats
41 Wildebeest
42 Ascend
44 Headgear for a horse
45 Bura
46. Foremost position
47. Cowbarn (British)
48. One who feels regret
51 Express pleasure
52 Pleased
53 Swedish rock group
54 Requisite
58. Geological time



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2							3	5
8	3				6			
4	8							
			5		3			
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		6		9		3		
5				7			1	6
9	4						3	

ANSWER

6	7	3	8	5	2	4	1	9
9	8	1	4	6	7	2	3	5
2	4	5	1	9	3	6	7	8
3	5	2	6	7	9	8	4	1
1	6	4	2	8	5	9	6	7
7	9	8	3	1	4	5	2	6
4	2	9	7	3	8	1	5	4
8	1	7	5	4	6	3	9	2
5	3	6	9	2	1	7	8	3

HOROSCOPES

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Be honest with yourself, Aries. Sometimes change can be a good thing so take a few days to sort through all of your options. You will be glad you did.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus you may have to be clever to solve a particular problem this week. It will be challenging, but you are up to the task and your efforts will be their own reward.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, spend some time thinking about what you want rather than what others want for you. You may discover significant differences between the two, but do what makes you happy.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, it may take some time to get back on your feet after a stumble but you will get there much faster if you ask a few friends for support. You know the people who have your back.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, very little can disappoint you or affect your mood. Enjoy the responsibility-free week with a free spirit. This is a great time for a vacation.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Think through all of your options before you act, Virgo. While something may seem like a good idea at first, careful thought may reveal some bumps in the road.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Work hard to earn a promotion at work, Libra. While you may need to take on more responsibility and work longer hours, the payoff will be well worth it.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, if you feel you are at a crossroads, take your time to make the best possible decision. This is a significant moment for you, and it requires focus and forethought.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, supporting a family member who deserves it has you riding high this week. This support may be emotional in nature or even financial support if you can manage.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, family activities are getting in the way of business prospects, and vice versa. You may need to make a difficult decision in the near future.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, think through the pros and cons of speaking your mind at work. Your opinions are valid, but you run the risk of alienating certain people, and that should not be taken lightly.

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- Community BBQ takes place from 4-6 p.m. at Willey West picnic area with presentation by Alberta Parks at 6 p.m.
- Alberta Trappers Association 41st annual Rendezvous and Outdoorsman Show @ the Entrepreneur Centre. It will include trapper and fur handling competitions, trade show, trapping and fur handling demos, [illegible] More info go to www.albertatrappers.com or find Alberta Trappers Association on Facebook.

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- 60 and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3002 47th St.) Exercises done from a chair. All seniors welcome.
- [illegible] and Band — Brain Injury Support Group meets @ Mitch's at 12:30 p.m.
- Bingo at the Drayton Valley Legion. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
- Line dancing @ the Scout Hall, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Bingo at Pembina Agra Centre, doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo at 7:30 p.m. 780-539-2433 or 780-539-3747 for more info.
- AGM today.
- PA Arts Club meetings, 7 p.m. 542-7320.
- Kids Club meetings, (780) 621-0617

2nd Monday

- Xanadu Trade International meets, 7 p.m. @ Violet Grove Hall.
- [illegible] 3202 [illegible] 0068 for information.

Tuesdays

- Bingo hosts everyone. DV Family Support & Intervention Program, women's group, 7-9 p.m. 542-6702 for more info.

2nd & 3rd Tuesday

- Royal Purple meetings, Westwind Motor Inn (upstairs), 7:30 p.m. Moms @ 542-2054 for info.

2nd [illegible]

- Metis Cultural Youth Society meets @ 7 p.m. at FMFIS Outreach. 780-542-9366 for more info.
- Pre-school swim, 12-12:40 p.m. @ DV Pool. 686-2543 for info.
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- [illegible] 80's meetings, 12-2 @ Church of God, 542-4288, 542-7683
- Nurturing Hearts Soup Kitchen, 11:30-1:30 @ Drayton Valley Royal Canadian Legion
- AWANA today
- Drayton Regional Search and Rescue @ 7 p.m. Dues @ 780-542-2810
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- Rich Creek Community Assoc. general meetings.
- Women in the Wind meets @ River Rock (Super 8), 7 p.m.

2nd Wednesday

- DVA Citizens on Patrol Society (COPS) meets, 7 p.m. Visit www.draytonvalleycops.com to get involved.

3rd Wednesday

- Knitters @ Wildwood Community Hall. Doors open 5:30 p.m.
- DV Genealogical Society meets, 7 p.m. @ Whiting Well. For information call 780-542-2787.
- Breakout ATV Club meeting, 7:30 p.m., West Penn Holdings office (6606 - 51st. Dennis Poissant @ 780-542-[illegible] for more information.

4th Wednesday

- Max Performing Arts Centre board meeting, 3:45 p.m. on Max mezzanine
- Wildwood Community Hall board meets, 7:30 p.m. @ the hall

1st Wednesday

- DV & District Cancer Support Group meets, 11:30 a.m., Arcadia room, Westwind, Howard @ 780-542-2735 and Irene @ 780-542-5416 for info.
- DV and District Historical Society meets, 1 p.m. at senior's drop-in centre. Thursdays
- Addiction Services Office has Walk-in Intake Days @ DV office
- 2nd floor Provincial Bldg). Free & confidential! Call 780-542-5689 for info.
- Narcotics Anonymous meetings, 7 p.m. @ United Church.
- Brighter Futures Indoor Playground in Violet Grove, 10-11:30 a.m. Call 780-514-6055 or 780-696-2543 for more information.
- Drayton Valley Fine Art Society PAINT IN! NOON at the Lutheran Church

1st and 3rd Thursday

- Derrick Toastmasters meet, 7 p.m., Call Chris (780) 542-7291 or Rita (780) 542-8305 for info.

2nd Thursday

- Masonic Lodge meetings, 7:30 p.m. (780) 542-5473.
- DV Hospital Auxiliary meets, 7 p.m. @ the hospital
- 4-H general meeting for Rimbey Community Hall @ the hall starting @ 7:30 p.m. except June, July, August.

3rd Thursday

- Northern Thunder Classic Car Club meets at 7 p.m. at Westwind.
- DV Hearts & Hands Quilters' Guild at Emmaus Lutheran Church, at 7 p.m.

Fridays

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- All-Anon meets, 8 p.m., Bruinsburg Catholic Church. Cheryl @ 727-6671 for more information.
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homes

Fishing for compliments

Cheryll Gillespie
Special to QMI Agency

I'm a huge animal lover and can't imagine my home without all my furry four-legged children (cats, dogs, the occasional piglet) or our gilled kids, the fish.

Adding life to a room always brings with it an undeniable sense of peace and good energy. There is seldom a home that we work on in our interior design firm that doesn't include pets in the design.

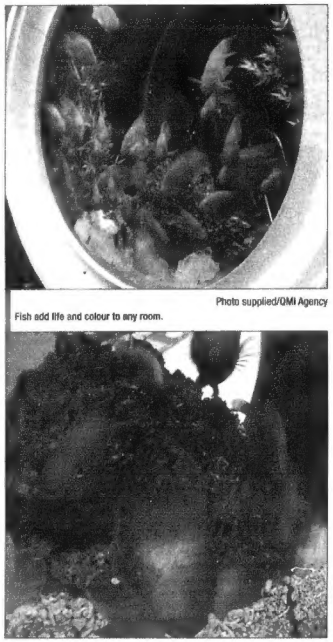
Just yesterday I chatted with one of our clients about including a contained litter box station in the laundry room for the cat. In yet another home we are in the process of designing a double-sided fish tank to be enjoyed from the entrance hall and the den.

The element of water is important to any home and you can make it as simple as a beautiful glass bowl on the kitchen counter with a pair of goldfish swimming about or as grand as an in-ground koi pond or a wall of salt water tank 'art.'

On our kitchen counter, I have a large bowl filled with broken pieces of dinnerware — cups, china and dessert plates, to work with the kitchen theme — to create a stimulating environment for our two gold fish, Cup and Saucer. In my library, I have a 500-gallon fresh water tank filled with white coral and white quartz crystals and colourful orange parrot and electric blue and yellow cichlid fish. And if that's not enough fish we have a 5,000-gallon sunken koi pond in the foyer of our home.

Personally, I love designing these life filled water art installations. There are definitely no ceramic sunken treasure chests or plastic plants in our designs. Instead we have created designer tanks, including one with a wine theme. Visualize a tank filled with collection of bottles, glasses and sculptural wood pieces that resemble cork. Yet another, similar to my library tank, features a crystal garden that is filled with giant faceted crystals and home to angel fish. Yes, when we design a tank we choose fish that not only love to co-exist with each other but are colour and shape appropriate for the tank's look.

I'd love to do a tank in a bachelor den or even in a garage and fill it with old car parts or a truly feminine tank whose bottom is covered with oversized ceramic flower heads or an ultra-modern tank layered with clear glass orbs in varying sizes and home to a group of large silver arowanas.



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Fish add life and colour to any room.

Pet supply companies are getting creative with their tank designs, which also helps to make installation easy. There's the traditional square and rectangular tanks which can be built into a wall and then refaced to appear round (like a porthole). There are also ultra-slim wall-mounted designs, which literally act as wall art. If you're truly committed there's always custom designed acrylic and glass tanks.

Tanks are a lot of fun to design and we are truly only limited by our imagination. It's all part of living fabulous and sharing your home with some of God's most colourful creations.

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Retrofit for energy savings

Adding insulation is a one way to find savings

Steve Jacques
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As energy prices rise, many homeowners are turning to energy efficiency building envelope insulation retrofits of their homes as a way to reduce their heating and cooling costs. This strategy is particularly appealing to owners of older houses, built before higher energy efficiency codes, standards and best practices became more commonplace.

One of the best ways to reduce the energy consumption of an existing house is to add insulation to the roof, walls and basement. Upgrading windows and doors and sealing cracks, leaks and holes offer further energy savings. These improvements should result in lower energy bills, improved comfort and reduced noise from the outside for all types of houses, but the specific retrofitting options can depend on the type of house you own.

One popular type of house built in the 1960s and 1970s, the raised bungalow, presents many retrofitting options. These houses were typically modestly sized, had finished basements and were often clad with masonry, wood or aluminum siding, or stucco.

Older homes were often also lightly insulated and not well sealed against drafts. For example, the roof and attic might contain a single layer of insulation, while the wood-framed walls might contain insulation that may or may not completely fill the wall cavity. The basements in these houses, commonly poured concrete, were rarely insulated although varying amounts of insulation may have been added over time if the basements were finished. Windows and doors of these bungalows were typically made of wood and the earlier windows were often single-glazed.

Before you start

Before starting a retrofit project, it is advisable to consult with a qualified energy service provider, building professional, home inspector or contractor to better understand, and plan for, pre-existing conditions and possible unintended consequences of the work to be done. This might include moisture problems, the presence of hazardous materials and conditions, structural concerns and other problems. Often, corrective measures can be planned that not only prevent problems but also add value to the overall project.

Strategies for insulation

A lightly insulated house presents many opportunities for improvement. The attic space is a good starting point as there is usually enough space available between the ceiling finish and the underside of the roof sheathing to add more insulation over top of what's already there. For higher insulating value and improved air sealing, existing insulation can be temporarily removed so closed-cell spray foam can be applied between the truss bottom chords. The existing insulation is then replaced and additional batts or blown-in insulation added to top up the work. As a part of the project, ensure air leaks between the house and attic are well sealed and the attic has an appropriate amount of ventilation.

Above-grade walls can also be further insulated but the techniques are more complex. For example, an interior stud wall can be added on the inside of the existing walls to provide room for more insulation — but this requires the removal of existing drywall and the refinishing of interior spaces, which can be both costly and disruptive unless done as a part of a larger renovation project. Overhanging floors, at bay windows for instance, are another common feature of raised bungalows and should also be checked to see that they are fully filled with insulation and are well sealed.

Basement walls can be insulated from the inside providing there are no moisture problems such as leaks, condensation or dampness. For example, extruded polystyrene insulation or closed-cell spray-in-place foam insulation can be installed against the inside surface of the foundation wall prior to the installation of drywall. Options for insulating an existing basement floor tend to be limited and usually involve removing any flooring and adding moisture protection, a layer of suitable board insulation, sheathing and new flooring.

Older windows can be replaced with double or triple-glazed units. Low-e films applied to the glass and argon-gas injected between the panes can improve the energy performance of the windows. Other energy-saving features include insulated spacers between the glass panes and low-conductivity window frames. Ensure new exterior doors are well insulated.

Air-tightness considerations

Improving air-tightness of the home should be part of any retrofitting plan. It can reduce heat loss, improve the performance of your newly installed insulation and also enhance the comfort of your home. To reduce air leakage around windows and doors, the decorative trim can be removed and closed-cell spray foam applied in the opening between the frames and the surrounding wall framing. Attic hatches can be weather-stripped and any gaps between wires, pipes and ducts that run into the attic can also be sealed with caulk or spray foam. Ensure the spaces between the overhead floor joists in the basement are well sealed where they sit on the foundation wall.

Note that improving air-tightness of the home can also lead to buildup of moisture, odours and other pollutants in the home so it might be necessary to install or improve the home's ventilation system as part of the overall retrofit project. This may include adding bathroom fans, a range hood or a heat recovery ventilator.

If done properly, these steps can substantially reduce heat loss in winter and the need for cooling systems in summer. To get the most value out of your retrofitting investment, the key is to do as much about your home's construction as possible and plan accordingly with the help of a qualified and knowledgeable renovation contractor. It's also advisable to have a residential energy service provider perform an energy audit of your house to help you understand your options in advance.

To learn more about increasing the energy efficiency of your raised bungalow, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) has a fact sheet on Energy Efficiency Building Envelope Retrofits for Houses - Interior Retrofit for 1960s and 1970s Raised Bungalow. Download your free copy at www.cmhc.ca.

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Get help to finish what you start

News Canada

It's no secret that the DIY trend is growing in Canada. Homeowners are taking on more projects themselves, from major renovations to small repairs, interior and exterior design and crafting.

In fact, Ipsos Reid research firm recently reported that in the last year, 73 per cent of Canadians have taken on a DIY home improvement project — not a surprising number considering the tightening budgets and growing independence of the population. These DIYers are turning to new ways to get the job done and finding pride and savings in the projects they complete.

Although taking on such projects is popular, it turns out that finishing them is the real challenge. This insight is the inspiration behind a new resource, www.helpingyoufinish.ca - an online community dedicated to educating, inspiring and helping us to cross the DIY finish line.

"Our company has been working with homeowners for almost a century, so we know the challenges you face — and we're here to help," says Lawrence Gengo, the senior director of marketing and research and development at Rust-Oleum Consumer Brands Canada. "We want to instil confidence and pride in Canadians and inspire them to not only take on new projects, but to finish what they've started. Our digital resource provides step by step guidance, plus ideas, tips and techniques for success. It also connects you with like-minded Canadians who truly love all things DIY."

A platform for sharing experiences, as well as one-on-one access with project experts, the new helpingyoufinish.ca community is a resource for those seeking answers, ideas or inspiration.

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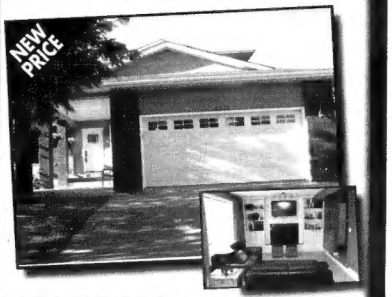

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